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Council President Peters Keeps Community Pool Open

SAN DIEGO – Today Council President Scott Peters announced the allocation of \$72,719 in Proposition 40 state bond funds to keep Swanson Pool open this Spring.

Scheduled for closure between March and June due to budget cuts, Swanson Pool in University City is used by more than 2000 community members each month for recreation, swim lessons and safety training.

Council President Peters recognized how valuable Swanson Pool is to the residents and families of University City. "Swanson Pool is one of the most heavily used public pools in San Diego. I'm pleased we were able to work with the community to find a way to keep this popular facility open."

This allocation of funds will allow Swanson Pool to stay open from March 5 – May 14. The pool will close between May 15 and June 11 for regular maintenance and repair, reopening to the public on June 12. The Prop 40 funds will also allow lifeguard, swimming and Red Cross safety training classes to continue at the site.

The San Diego City Council will vote on the issue on March 7.